

ARIZONA FALL LEAGUE ANNOUNCES WEEK ONE HITTER AND PITCHER OF THE WEEK

Oct. 15, 2024 – The Arizona Fall League has announced its NFP Co-Hitters and Pitcher of the Week for games from October 7th through October 13th.

<u>Co-Hitters of the Week</u>: Peoria Javelinas OF Kemp Alderman (MIA) & INF Colt Emerson (SEA)

Miami's Kemp Alderman blasted five home runs and posted a 1.768 OPS during the first week of AFL games. The Marlins' No. 12 prospect hit a home run in all four of his games, including a two-homer game, and finished the week 7-for-17 (.412) with two walks and six RBI. The AFL single-season home run record is 14 by five-year Major Leaguer Brandon Wood (Surprise Scorpions, 2005).

Seattle's Colt Emerson burst onto the scene with six doubles in four games and finished the week 11-for-20 (.550) with six RBI and a 1.400 OPS. The Mariners' No. 1 prospect and MLB Pipeline's No. 27 overall prospect went 5-for-6 with a single-game AFL record four doubles and added five RBI in his debut. The AFL single-season record for doubles is 19 by three-time MLB All-Star Carlos Lee (Phoenix Desert Dogs, 1998).

<u>Pitcher of the Week</u>: Glendale Desert Dogs RHP Connor Phillips (CIN)

Cincinnati's Connor Phillips pitched four scoreless innings with a league-best seven strikeouts and no walks in his start on Tuesday against Salt River. The right-hander logged two 1-2-3 innings, retired the last five batters he faced, and threw 62 percent strikes in his outing. Phillips, the Reds' No. 15 prospect, was the only pitcher to complete four innings in a game during the first week of AFL action.

Regarded as the premier league for baseball's top prospects, the Arizona Fall League continues to develop top-caliber talent across all 30 MLB Clubs. The annual **Fall Stars Game** (Saturday, November 9th) will be played at Sloan Park and the AFL **Championship Game** (Saturday, November 16th) will return to Salt River Fields. Both games will be televised LIVE on MLB Network. The full 2024 Arizona Fall League Schedule and online tickets can be found at the Arizona Fall League website, **MLBFallBall.com**.

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